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MARYLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1793.

STATE of MARYLAND.

An ACT for NATURALIZATION,

Passed July Session, 1779.

WHEREAS the increase of people is a means to advance the wealth and strength of this state. And whereas many foreigners from the laxity of our government, the security afforded by our constitution and laws to civil and religious liberty, the mildness of our climate, the fertility of our soil, and the advantages of our commerce, may be induced to come and settle in this state, if they were made partakers of the advantages and privileges which the natural born subjects of this state do enjoy:

Be it therefore enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That every person who shall hereafter come into this state, from any nation, kingdom or state, and shall, before the governor and the council, or before the general court, or any one of the judges thereof, or before any county court of this state, repeat and subscribe a declaration of his belief in the Christian religion, and take, repeat and subscribe, the following oath, or affirmation, if a Quaker, Menonist or Dunker, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear, or affirm, that "I will hereafter become a subject to the state of "Maryland, and will be faithful and bear true alle-"giance to the said state, and that I do not hold my-"self bound to yield any allegiance or obedience to "any king or prince, or any other state or govern-"ment;" (which said oath or affirmation, and subscription aforesaid, respectively, the governor and the council, the general court, or any one judge thereof, or any county court, are here empowered to administer and take) shall, thereupon and thereafter, be deemed, adjudged and taken, to be a natural born subject of this state; and shall be thenceforth entitled to all the immunities, rights and privileges, of a natural born subject of this state; provided, that no person who shall become a natural born subject of this state, by virtue of this act, shall be appointed to any civil office, or eligible as governor, member of the council or general assembly, or as a delegate to congress, unless such person shall have resided within this state seven years previous to such election or appointment, and shall have the property and estate required by the constitution and form of government, to execute any of the said offices respectively.

And be it enacted, That the clerk of the council shall, before the session of every general court, return a list of the names of the persons who shall take and subscribe the said oath or affirmation, and make the said declaration respectively, before the governor and the council, and the time when taken and made, to the clerk of the general court, to be entered by him among the minutes of the said courts; and any judge of the general court, administering and taking the said oath or affirmation, shall return, to the next general court, a list of the names of the persons who shall take and subscribe the said oath or affirmation, and make the said declaration respectively, before him, and the time when taken and made, to the clerk of the general court, to be entered by him among the minutes of the said court.

And be it enacted, That a certificate, by the clerk of the council or by any judge of the general court, or by the clerk of the general or any county court, of any person's having taken and subscribed the said oath or affirmation, and having made and subscribed the said declaration; or a certificate, by the clerk of the general court, that it appears by the return of any judge of the said court, entered among the minutes, of any person's having taken and subscribed the said oath or affirmation, and having made and subscribed the said declaration, shall be deemed and taken to be sufficient testimony and proof thereof, and of his being a natural born subject, and as such shall be allowed in every court of this state.

And, to encourage such foreigners to come and settle in this state, *Be it enacted*, That no tax shall be imposed on any such foreigner coming into this state and taking and subscribing the declaration and oath aforesaid, or his property, for the term of seven years after his arrival in this state.

And, to encourage such foreigners, tradesmen, artificers and manufacturers, to come and settle in this state, *Be it enacted*, That no tax shall be imposed on any such foreigner, being a tradesman, artificer or manufacturer, coming into this state, and taking and subscribing the declaration and oath or affirmation aforesaid, or his property, for the term of four years after his arrival in this state.

ARRÊT de NATURALISATION, passé dans la Séance du Juillet, 1779.

CONSIDERANT que l'augmentation du peuple étend notablement les richesses et la force de cet état; que la modération de notre gouvernement, la liberté civile et religieuse, la douceur de notre climat, la fertilité de notre sol, et les avantages de notre commerce, peuvent exciter beaucoup d'étrangers à venir s'établir dans cet état, si on les feroit participants des avantages et des privilèges dont nos sujets naturels jouissent;

C'est pourquoi l'Assemblée Générale de Maryland a passé un Arrêt, Que toute personne qui viendra dorénavant dans cet état, de quelque nation, royaume ou état, que ce soit, et qui répétera et signera, pardevant le gouverneur et son conseil, ou pardevant la cour générale, ou pardevant quelqu'un de ses juges, ou pardevant quelque cour de comté de cet état, une déclaration de la croyance dans la religion chrétienne, et prendra, répétera et signera, le serment suivant (ou l'affirmation, s'il est Quaqre, Menoniſt ou Dunker) *savoir*—" Je, A. B. jure, ou affirme, que je serai dorénavant fidel sujet de l'état de Maryland, et que je ne me crois point obligé d'être soumis à l'obéissance " d'aucun roi ou prince, ou d'aucun autre état ou " gouvernement,"—(lequel serment, ou affirmation, et signature susdit, sera administré et pris, respectivement, par le gouverneur et le conseil, ou par la cour générale, ou par quelqu'un de ses juges, ou par quelque cour de comté, lesquels sont munis de ce pouvoir) sera dorénavant estimé et considéré comme sujet natif de cet état, et sera alors en droit de jouir de la liberté et des privilèges ou dit état; pourvu que personne de ceux qui en seront devenu sujets, en vertu de cet arrêt, ne soit élu pour servir dans aucun emploi civil, comme gouverneur, membre du conseil ou de l'assemblée générale, ou délégué du congrès, qu'il n'ait fait sa résidence dans cet état, sept ans préalables à cette élection ou appointement, et qu'il n'ait les biens et fonds réquis par la constitution et la form du gouvernement, pour exécuter aucune des dites charges.

Et qu'il soit ordonné, Que le greffier du conseil portera à la séance de chaque cour générale, une liste des noms des personnes qui auront pris et signés le dit serment ou affirmation, et fait la dit déclaration respectivement, pardevant le gouverneur, et pardevant le conseil, avec le tems qu'ils l'auront pris et fait, pour être donné au greffier de la cour générale, et pour être mis dans les memoires de la dite cour: Et tout juge de la cour générale, qui aura administré et pris le dit serment, ou affirmation, portera à la premiere cour générale, une liste des noms des personnes qui auront pris et signé le dit serment, ou affirmation, et fait la dite déclaration, respectivement, devant lui, avec le tems qu'ils l'auront pris et fait, au greffier de la cour générale, pour être enrégistrée dans les mémoires de la dite cour.

Et qu'il soit ordonné, Que le greffier du conseil, ou quelque juge de la cour générale, ou le greffier de la dite cour, ou celui de quelque cour de comté donnera à toute personne, qui aura pris et signé le dit serment ou affirmation, et qui aura fait et signé la dite déclaration, un certificat, qu'il paroit, par la liste de quelque juge de la dite cour, enregistré dans les mémoires, que toute personne qui aura pris et signé le dit serment, ou affirmation, et aura fait et signé la dite déclaration, sera estimé, dans toutes les cours de cet état, sujet naturel.

Et, pour encourager les étrangers à venir s'établir dans cet état, *Qu'il soit ordonné*, Que ceux qui y viendront, et qui prendront et signeroot la déclaration, et le serment, ou affirmation susdit, seront exempts, avec leurs biens, de toute impôt, pendant deux ans après leur arrivée.

Et, afin d'encourager les gens de metiers, ou artisans, et les manufacturiers étrangers, à venir s'établir dans cet état, *Qu'il soit ordonné*, Qu'il ne sera imposé aucun impôt sur eux ni sur leur biens, pendant le terme de quatre ans à commencer du jour de leur arrivée dans cet état; pourvu qu'ils prennent et signent la déclaration et le serment, ou l'affirmation, susdit.

STAAT MARYLAND.

NATURALISIRUNG-GESETZ,

Gegeben in der November Sitzung, 1779.

DA die Vermehrung der Volksmenge ein Mittel ist den Reichthum und die Stärcke dieſes Staates zu befördern: Und da viele Fremdlinge durch die Gelindigkeit unserer Regierung, die sich-ehen welche durch unsere Verfassung und Gesetze bürgerlicher und gottesdienstlicher Freyheit versichert ist, die Milde unseres Himmels-Striches, die Fruchtbarkeit unseres Bodens und durch die Vortheile unseres Handels verursachet werden mögen in diesen Staate sich niederzulassen, wenn sie der Vortheile und Vorrechte, welche die eingebohrnen Bürger dieſes Staates geniessen, theilhaftig gemacht werden würden:

Es sey dieſungen durch die Abgeordne. (gesetzgebende) Versammlung von Maryland nun hiemit gemacht. Daß jede Person, die hinfuero in diesen Staat kommt, von irgend einer Nation, Reich oder Staat, und vor dem Gouverneur und Rath, oder vor dem Allgemeinen Gerichte, oder vor irgend einem Richter desselben, oder vor irgend einem Grafschafts Gerichte dieſes Staates eine Erklärung seines Glaubens an die Christliche Religion ausspricht und unterschreibet, und den folgenden Eid, oder Betheurung welche er ein Quaker, Menonist oder Dunker wäre, leistet, ausspricht und unterschreibet:—" Ich, A. B. schwöre, oder betheure, " daß ich hinfuero ein Buerger des Staats Maryland " werden will, und dem besagten Staate treu, und " wahrhaftig ergeben seyn will, und daß ich mich " nicht verbunden erachte, irgend einem Konige oder " Fuersten, oder irgend einem andern Staate oder " Regierung irgend eine Unterthanigkeit oder Gehor-" sam zu leisten"—(welch besagten Eid oder Betheurung, und vorbemeldete Unterschrift, respective, der Gouverneur und Rath, das Allgemeine Gericht, oder irgend ein Richter desselben, oder irgend ein Grafschafts Gericht hierbey bevollmächtiget sind sich leisten zu lassen und zu nehmen) darauf und darnach ein eingebohrner Buerger dieſes Staats zu seyn geachtet, dafuer gehalten und angesehen seyn soll; und von demselben zu allen Freyheiten, Rechten und Privilegien eines eingebohrnen Buergers dieſes Staats berechtiget seyn soll; mit der Bedingung, daß niemand der ein eingebohrner Buerger dieſes Staats in Kraft dieſes Gesetzes werden wird, zu irgend einem oeffentlichen Amt bestellet, oder als Gouverneur, Glied des Rathes, oder der Allgemeinen Versammlung oder als Abgeordneter zum Congreß erwechlbar seyn soll, er habe denn sieben Jahre vor solcher Erwehlung oder Bestellung in diesem Staate gewohnet, und besitze das Eigenthum und Vermoegen, welches bey der Verfassung und Regierungs form erheischet wird, irgend einen besagter respectiven Aemter zu verwalten.

Und es sey zum Gesetz gemacht, Daß der Schreiber des Rathes, vor jeder Sitzung des Allgemeinen Gerichts, dem Schreiber des Allgemeinen Gerichts ein Verzeichniß der Namen derjenigen Personen, welche vor dem Gouverneur und Rath besagten Eid oder Betheurung respective leisten und unterschreiben, und besagte Erklaerung machen werden, und der Zeit wann geleistet und gemacht, einliefern solle, damit er es in besagtem Gerichts-Protokoll einschreibe. Und irgend ein Richter des Allgemeinen Gerichts, der besagten Eid oder Betheurung vor sich leisten macht, soll bey dem naechsten Allgemeinen Gerichte ein Verzeichnis der Namen der Personen, welche vor ihm besagten Eid oder Betheurung respective geleistet und unterschrieben und besagte Erklaerung gethan haben werden, und der Zeit wann geleistet und gethan, dem Schreiber des Allgemeinen Gerichts einliefern, damit er es dem Protokoll besagten Gerichts einverleibe.

Und es sey zum Gesetz gemacht, Daß ein Beglaubigungs-Schein von dem Schreiber des Rathes, oder von irgend einem Richter des Allgemeinen Gerichts, oder von dem Schreiber des Allgemeinen oder irgend eines Grafschafts-Gerichts: Daß irgend eine Person besagten Eid oder Betheurung geleistet und unterschrieben, und besagte Erklaerung gethan und unterschrieben habe—oder ein Beglaubigungs Schein von dem Schreiber des Allgemeinen Gerichts, daß es aus dem protokollirten Berichte irgend eines Richters besagten Gerichts erhelle, irgend eine Person habe besagten Eid oder Betheurung geleistet und unterschrieben und besagte Erklaerung gethan und unterschrieben—hier ein zulaengliches Zeugnis und Beweis dessen, und davon, daß solche Person Buerger sey, geachtet und gehalten, und dafuer in jedem Gerichtshofe dieſes Staats anerkannt werden solle.

Und, um solche Fremdlinge aufzumuntern in diesen Staat zu kommen und sich darin niederzulassen, *Sey es zum Gesetz gemacht*, daß, fuer einen Zeitraum von zwey Jahren nach seiner Ankunft in diesem Staate, irgend einem solchen Fremdlinge, der in diesen Staat kommt, und vorbemeldete Erklaerung und Eid oder Betheurung thut und unterschreibet, ihm oder seinem Eigenthume, *keine Abgabe* auferleget werden solle.

Und, um solche Fremdlinge, Gewerbtreibende, Handwerker und Fabrikanten, aufzumuntern zu kommen und in diesem Staate sich niederzulassen, *Sey es zum Gesetz gemacht*, daß *keine Abgabe* irgend einem solchen Fremdlinge, der ein Gewerbtreibender, Handwerker oder Fabrikant ist, in diesen Staat kommt, und vorbesagte Erklaerung und Eid oder Betheurung thut und unterschreibet, oder seinem Eigenthume, fuer einen Zeitraum von vier Jahren nach seiner Ankunft in diesem Staate auferlegt werden solle.

HUY, *March* 11.

THE French troops before they quitted this place, on the 6th blew up the large arch of our bridge with a dreadful explosion. After this disastrous operation, which deranged a great number of bodies, they retreated towards Namur. The inhabitants of this place then tore up the tree of liberty which has produced such bitter fruit. The town was illuminated in the evening, all the bells were set a ringing, and joy was visible in every countenance. The French, however, being informed that none of the Austrians had yet arrived, returned at seven in the evening, to the number of from 8 to 900, with four pieces of cannon, to resume their post and replant the tree of liberty; but they were dislodged on the 9th, in the morning, by the troops of his Imperial majesty.

After a short encamade on both sides, in some fragments of the arch of the bridge which the enemy had destroyed still remained, the Austrians laid planks over it, on which they passed, even with their cavalry. The French then retreated themselves to Huy, and with so great precipitation, that they abandoned their cannon and baggage. They left some men and many prisoners. The Austrians were received here with acclamations inspired by the liveliest and purest joy.

ROTTERDAM, *March* 20.

We have received the agreeable news, that on the 15th, 16th, and 17th instant, the French and Aus-

trian armies were incessantly engaged. On the 16th the French took possession of Tirlemont, but the next day a general action took place, which was fought with great obstinacy, and great slaughter. At one time the Austrians gave way, but the French pushing forward with their usual impetuosity, fell into the utmost confusion, and were trampled down by the cavalry. The horse was innumerable. Their loss was not less than 30,000 killed, and 6000 taken prisoners, with seventy pieces of cannon. The loss of the Austrians did not amount to more than 1400. The French retired to their entrenched camp at Louvain.

LEGHORN, *March* 8.

The captain of a Ragusan vessel arrived here from Bona, in Barbary, with a cargo of wheat, relates, that the Algerine cruisers having taken eight Dutch ships, carried them on the 5th of February into Algiers, but that the Dey immediately ordered them to be released, that they might proceed to their respective places of destination, because the term of 30 days, fixed by his excellency for the commencement of hostilities, were not then expired; and that the Vikil Hadgi, of the marine, a sworn enemy to the christians, had openly disapproved of this generous action, and had incited the Turks and Moors to condemn it so much, that the Reys Seleni, a renegado Jew, said publicly, that to release these prizes were unjust—that they exposed their lives by going out to cruise—and that now, when they had the good fortune to take some prizes, his excellency had set them at liberty.—The Dey being informed of this behaviour, fell into a violent passion, and ordered the Vikil Hadgi to cause the mutinous Reys Selemi to be immediately beheaded. The Vikil Hadgi, instead of executing the order, concealed the criminal on board a corsair: but his excellency was so much irritated that he wished to send the Vikil Hadgi to the prison of Dafarcagi, to be there strangled. The Dey, however, on the pressing intreaties of his wife, and the wife of the Vikil Hadgi, sister to the former, gave him his life, but condemned him to exile—and the sentence was immediately executed, the criminal being put on board a Spanish ship, which was instantly obliged to set sail. This disgrace of the declared enemy of the christians has greatly rejoiced the consuls of commercial nations at Algiers; and what adds to their pleasure is, that the vacant post of the Vikil Hadgi, has been given by the Dey to his nephew, a young Turk, formerly from the Levant, and who is of a very amiable character. The port captain has also been disgraced, and his place supplied by another.

FRANCFORT, *March* 21.

Yesterday general Custine, seconded by col. Houchard, attacked with 12 battalions of infantry, a battery of cannon, and 20 squadrons, the Prussian colonel Seculi, who had posted himself near Stromberg, with only 200 infantry and 150 hussars and dragoons. The action continued from seven o'clock in the morning till one in the afternoon, when colonel Seculi, on account of the great superiority of the enemy, was obliged to retire to Rheimbellin. The Prussians lost 32 men, the French 300.

LONDON, *April* 3.

Private letters from Constantinople state, that a conspiracy has been detected at the Ottoman court. The French had, by presents and promises, corrupted the greatest part of the Turkish ministry, and endeavoured to induce them to murder the grand signior. Every thing had already been so concerted, that his sublime highness was to be strangled, and war declared against Austria and Russia.

The Russian charge d'affaires at Constantinople had the good fortune to discover the whole of the plot, and to give timely notice of it to the Sultan. All the accomplices were instantly strangled, and many Frenchmen, who even had but the remotest concern in it, were declared outlaws, and their property was confiscated. Every assurance of peace and good understanding was then given to our court, and to that of Petersburgh. The internuncio, who was about a twelvemonth ago at that court, was amongst the conspirators, and has received his due reward.

About twenty large privateers are now in a very forward state at Havre de Grace. They mount from 18 to 24 guns, and some Irish adventurers have been noticed as being busy in these equipments!

HAGUE, *April* 1.

[By Express.]

Early this morning the important intelligence was confirmed here, that the French garrisons of Gertruydenberg and Breda had both surrendered on Saturday last, to the combined Prussians and Dutch, on condition that the garrisons might march out with the honours of war into France; which, after much difficulty, was granted them; that the citadel of Antwerp had also surrendered to prince Cobourg's army on the same terms; that the town had been five days in possession of the Austrians; and that the Dutch commodore, commanding in the Scheld, had burnt off that city, the French ten gun sloop of war, l'Arie, (taken from the English the last war) and three other armed ships, with the loss only of three men.

The army of the French, under Dumourier and Miranda, have retreated precipitately towards Valenciennes and Lille. The prince of Cobourg's army is in hot pursuit.

LONDON, *May* 9.

We have informed that there are letters in town, from respectable characters in London, of a late date, which mention, that Mr. Pitt had informed the house of [illegible] that there was a prospect of matters being accommodated with France, and that he acknowledged the former had to the superior to the English.

How far these accounts may be credited we presume not to say, but the following paragraph, from a London paper by the last arrival, will perhaps give an explanation of the matter:

"The king of Prussia has demanded a categorical answer of our court, whether it is their determination to join sincerely with the combined powers, for re-establishing monarchy in France; and in case they should not, it was his determination immediately to withdraw himself with his force from the field, and to retire to his own dominions."

Extract of a letter from a gentleman of reputation in London, to his friend in this town, dated March 28 and 30.

"The report of the day is, that on the 22d instant, the grand army of Dumouriez was entirely defeated by the Prussians and Austrians, with very great slaughter, and that they have re-possessed themselves of the Belgic Provinces.

"March 30. The entire defeat of Dumouriez is contradicted; he was worsted on the 18th, but is fiece strongly fortified near Brussels."

[The above extract is from a gentleman of undoubted veracity, and well known in this town.]

PHILADELPHIA, *May* 15.

Bulletin of field marshal prince Saxe Cobourg, of the action which took place on the 18th of March, near Tirlemont.

OUR van guard, which marched 24th inst. from Tongres, took up their cantonments beyond that town. The 15th they advanced to Orsmaal—their head quarters were established at St. Tron, and the body of the army cantoned beyond St. Tron. The light troops met the enemy on the road of Tirlemont, and drove them through that place and beyond it.

On the 16th the army left their cantonments, in order to form a camp beyond the river Geithe, when the two armies met unexpectedly, on their march; for the enemy advanced from Louvain with a design to surprise us in our cantonments. The enemy had just retaken their position of the town of Tirlemont, which they before had evacuated. A very severe cannonade began on both sides, which continued the whole day, but with very little loss on either side, when night put an end to that combat.

As our army could not reach the river of grand Geithe, and as we should have been in want of water in our then position, the field marshal prince Cobourg ordered a retreat in the evening towards the road of Orsmaal, and the army occupied during the night the heights along the little river of Geithe.

On the 17th our army took a position which was not defensible. It was taken merely for the purpose of having an extent of ground, to enable us to attack the enemy on several quarters at once, in case they advanced. The little river of Geithe was in our front, and our van was posted along that river; our right wing extended to the road of St. Tron, where the van guard, under command of the arch duke Charle, was encamped, and next to them the whole army, in two lines of battle; the first, under command of general count Colloredo; and the second, under the prince of Wurtemburg. They had the villages of Orsmaal, Guthenhofen, and Neervinden in front. Their left wing was commanded by general count Clairfayt; this wing was going to take post between Racour and Landen. The enemy remained in their position behind Tirlemont.

On the 18th we saw the enemy at day break, marching towards us in different columns. They extended to the right and left of the road towards the heights on this side Tirlemont, in such a manner that their right reached Guthenhofen, and their left Willemorsum. About eight in the morning a column, preceded by a quantity of heavy artillery, advanced on the road of St. Tron towards Orsmaal, from which place they dislodged our van corps, and raised considerable batteries near the church.

The arch duke, on our side, immediately raised batteries with the artillery of the van guard, and dismounted several cannon of the enemy, which, however, they had the skill to supply instantly by others.

Although this was an obstacle to their advancing, they, however, pushed forward with so much activity, that they profited by the advantage of the ground, and marched a column on the left towards the water, and another through Racour upon our flanks, and even on our back, in order to turn us, leaving at the same time a sufficient number of troops in the centre, to make use of them in case of necessity.

The field marshal planned his attacks against their different columns in this manner. The prince of Wurtemburg was ordered to advance on his left towards the water, and lieutenant field marshal Bender advanced on the road towards Orsmaal and Donmael. The arch duke Charles marched with two battalions of Stacey into the village of Orsmaal, general Clairfayt towards Racour, and count Colloredo remained in the centre; these generals beat the French on all sides and repulsed them.

General Dumourier, at the head of 30,000 men, conducted in person the principal attack near Racour, on which the fate of the action depended; but general Clairfayt marched his reserve, which consisted scarcely of 8000 men, and repulsed Dumourier, who, although he had raised his forces again, was overthrown a second time.

During this attack near Racour the enemy advanced a column upon the centre, but count Colloredo repulsed them, and dislodged them from the village of Neervinden, where he posted himself when night again terminated an engagement which had lasted eleven hours, which also prevented our troops from pursuing the enemy any further.

The extraordinary bravery with which our troops fought each [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

commerce for the time, they, as friends of all mankind and all nations, are bound to [illegible]. O.

Impressed, then, with the idea that in an inoffending conduct towards all the world consists the true policy of merchants, [illegible] only [illegible] but to the preservation of [illegible] in the most pointed manner, any measure or proposals in others, repugnant to which, they are persuaded, will seldom occur; the following just expressions being, at this time, have the strictest attention to mind, the common language of the citizens of Pennsylvania.

Extract of a letter from Amsterdam, received by the last Packet, arrived in Philadelphia, dated the 5th of April.

"Since my last, the French arms have been very unsuccessful in this country; the bombardment against Williamstadt, which was commenced from the 15th of February till the 11th of March, has ceased, the French leaving behind all their cannon and ammunition: They have likewise left Luyckerland, where the Austrians obtained a victory, and made a great booty. Dumourier's retreat out of Brabant to the borders of France, after three severe engagements with the Austrians, in which the loss of the former, in killed, is computed at twenty-five and that of the latter at fifteen thousand men, however courageously that general conducted himself, has created much alarm in the minds of the people. In short, the declaration of war, by the convention, against Spain and Portugal, the taking of Hamburg and Bremen vessels, and likewise American bottoms, laden with produce for either of the contending powers, has thrown the commercial as well as political concerns into the utmost consternation.

"P. S. It was currently reported on our exchange this day, that Dumourier had accepted the white cockade, and gone over to the Austrians, to form the constitution on its old basis."

ANNAPOLIS, *May 23.*

On Monday last the students of St. John's College in this city underwent a public examination. The higher classes in the mathematical and philosophical schools, under the inspection of Mr. M'Dowell, principal, and the Rev. Mr. Higinbothom, vice-principal, gave convincing proofs of the great exertions of those gentlemen in the departments of science and literature committed to their care. Several difficult geometrical theorems were demonstrated by the pupils of Mr. M'Dowell upon the principles of the mathematics, confirmed by arithmetical and algebraic calculations, with that ease and perspicuity which evince a clear comprehension of the subject. In the higher classes of Greek and Latin, their pupils gave equal satisfaction. Their knowledge, not only of those languages, but of the subjects treated on by the authors put into their hands, shewed the effect of able instruction, and studious diligence. The youth in the grammar school, each class of which was separately examined, performed in a manner highly to the credit of Mr. M'Grath, the professor, and Messieurs Priority and Scot, the tutors. This younger part of the seminary gave flattering assurances of their proceeding with equal merit to those stations, which their elder fellow students now occupy.

After the conclusion of the examination several orations from Livy, Cicero, Sallust and Tacitus, were delivered by the young gentlemen. As this part of the exhibition was not at first intended, they were in some measure unprepared. Notwithstanding, they pronounced them with much spirit and energy, and with suitable action. The young gentlemen who delivered them, were Masters Carr, Goldsborough, Heady, Cooke, Lomax, jun. Shaw, jun. Stewart and Clark, jun.

Master Walley favoured the audience with a composition which displayed the style of a scholar, and the sentiments of a truly patriotic American. Two Greek dialogues from Lucian were rehearsed by Masters Cooke, Clark, Key, Murray, Shaw and Maynard, in which the humour of that author was well supported and characterised. Some of these young gentlemen do not exceed fourteen years of age. The whole concluded with a speech in Greek from Homer by Master Lomax, jun. whose deserts are not inferior to those of his brother students mentioned above.

It, no doubt, afforded a considerable degree of satisfaction to the visitors and governors of St. John's College, not merely as trustees, but as citizens, to see the intention of that noble institution hitherto so effectually pursued. The proficiency of the students proves the propriety of the plan of education adopted, as well as the ability and endeavours of the professors and tutors. A proper adherence to this plan, and a strict attention to other interesting particulars, which those who have the superintendence will undoubtedly give, must insure the prosperous continuance of a seminary, which, as it dispels ignorance, and its consequent evils, must produce those advantages, public and private, that ever accompany knowledge and information. Those gentlemen, strangers, who favoured the examination with their attendance, expressed their approbation in high terms. Some of these accustomed to colleges were pleased to observe, that the students of St. John's at their first public exhibition, acquitted themselves in a manner that would not have discredited veteran collegians.

Mr. Green,

By inserting the underwritten in your useful paper you will oblige,

A CORRESPONDENT.

To the PLANTERS.

THE proclamation issued by the president of the United States of America, declaratory of the disposition of the government towards the European belli-

gerent powers, [illegible]

but the crop on its way to the warehouses is very short of the consumption quantity, that it cannot possibly be equal to the ensuing demand for that grateful herb, which the European war must necessarily create—Your situation is a most eligible one—Who will be the purchasers?—Kings—and what are the objects in dispute between the contending parties? *Corsica—Corsica—Corsica*—Tom Paine's prophecy is fulfilling with great stride—The *despots of Europe* are closely leagued against France—If they do not succeed in their project of putting up the liberties of Europe by the roots, *the kings' trade* will speedily be abolished throughout the world.—Your tobacco is an absolute necessary—without it, neither the republican nor the royal armies can keep the field—When monarchy is the stake, and your tobacco is equally the means of preserving and destroying it, it is impossible that the contending parties will not give *a generous price* for an article so very valuable to either different interests? *Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon*—My brother planters, be firm and united—If you persevere in the line of conduct which has distinguished the major part of your body for the last few years, you will with a quick step advance to that state which constitutes the substantial happiness of man—Independence—I expect that the agents for the *royal purchasers* will, as is the usual conduct of such characters, exercise all their ingenuity in endeavouring to alarm you with the expected arrival of a plentiful supply of tobacco of *superior quality to the British part from their Lands*—You may take it for a fact, that cannot be authentically denied by any man, that the consumption of tobacco must increase with the progressive augmentation of the European armies—Again, my brethren, be firm and united—you will then look your adversaries in the face with a steady countenance. A gentleman, *whose agency* is infinitely more pleasing, will soon make his appearance among you, by the name of Mr. *Rattle the Cash*—he is also a respectable character of *Sterling Worth*, to whose intimate acquaintance I shall be very happy in having an opportunity of introducing my brother planters—Our—be firm and united.

THE PLANTER'S FRIEND.

Anne-Arundel, May 19, 1793.

George Johnson,

At his DRY and WET GOODS STORE,

At the Head of the Dock,

Lately in the occupation of Mr. *John Randall*,

RESPECTFULLY begs leave to inform the public, that he has now on hand, and for sale, on the very lowest terms, a beautiful assortment of DRY GOODS, suitable for the present and approaching season.

He has also just received from Philadelphia, a quantity of very fine hyson tea, excellent bloom and sun-raisin, Florence oil in flasks, capers, anchovies, and a number of other articles too tedious to enumerate, which, added to the articles he formerly had in that line, forms an excellent and extensive assortment of GROCERIES.

JOHN MUNROE,

Boot & Shoe-Maker,

Corner of Church-Circle,

ANNAPOLIS,

RETURNS his hearty thanks to his customers for their patronage, and begs leave to inform them, and the public in general, that he has again received from London a supply of fresh Spanish and Morocco leather, together with sundry other articles. Having supplied himself with a general assortment of materials, he flatters himself he shall be able to furnish those who please to favour him with their commands, with any article belonging to any of the various branches of his business.

HE HAS FOR SALE,

Spanish and Morocco leather, New-England black and white full shoes, gentlemens shoe, knee and boot buckles, spurs, childrens clasps, shoe-makers tools, shoe heels, black balls, and sundry other articles, all of which he will sell on reasonable terms.

N. B. Store keepers in the country may be supplied with ladies slippers by the dozen, or larger quantity. A generous profit will be allowed on his selling price.

A LIST of LETTERS remaining in the Post Office at Leonard-town, which, if not taken up before the first day of July next, will be returned to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

JOHN A. THOMAS, Esq. St. Mary's county.
Rob. Chalers, Esq.
Robert Clarke,
Burt. Tarlton,
Col. Rob. Jarboe,
Jno. Leich,
Rich. Llewellen,
Charles Leigh,
Jno. Murray, painter, Baltimore,
Miss Rebecca Addamson, care of Benj. Swan, Allan's Fresh,

May 7, 1793.

R. TAYLOR

[illegible]

A LIST OF LETTERS

[illegible] in the Post Office, Upper-Marlborough, [illegible] will be sent to the general Post-Office, as dead letters.

BENJAMIN BERRY, Esquire, Prince-George's county.

Mr. Thomas Beck, Upper-Marlborough, Prince-George's county.

Mr. John Brown, Queen-Anne's county, Maryland.

Messieurs Hanson and Reed, Printers, Alexandria.

Miss Rebecca Bayne, Prince-George's county.

Miss Mary Beall, Upper-Marlborough.

The right reverend Thomas J. Clagett, [illegible] Upper-Marlborough, (3 letters).

Mr. Thomas B. Clements, Upper-Marlborough.

Miss Rebecca Fry,

Joshua Groves, and Co. Queen-Anne, Patuxent river.

John, Reed Magruder, Esquire, Upper-Marlborough.

William M'Blair, merchant, Lower-Marlborough.

Mr. John Mallowny, Nine Bridges, Queen-Anne's county.

Mr. Thomas Lyles, Queen-Anne.

Mrs. Mary Lyles, Patuxent river, Maryland.

John Coats Jones, Esquire, Inspector Revenue, Cedar Point.

Henry [illegible], Esquire, Sheriff, Calvert county.

Samuel Tyler, Esquire, Register Wills, Upper-Marlborough.

Mr. Roger Parke, Upper-Marlborough.

Colonel Joseph Watkinson, Calvert county.

Colonel Gabriel Vanhorn, Prince-George's county.

Doctor Daniel Rawlings, Lower-Marlborough.

Captain Matthew Readmon, Nottingham.

SAMUEL HAMILTON, D. P. M.

Calvert county, May 4, 1793.

THE honourable the chancellor of this date having appointed the subscriber trustee for the creditors of Francis King, of Calvert county, an insolvent debtor, do hereby give notice, that he will sell, at public auction, at Lower-Marlborough, on Monday the tenth day of June next, the property of said Francis King, consisting of the reversion of part of several tracts or parcels of land, lying in Prince-George's county, viz. Part of Brooke Grove and Resurrection, now in the possession of Levy Gantt and Richard Contee; also, part of a tract of land called Worton, now in the possession of a certain ——— Ferguson, and one lot of land in Hawkins's and Beatty's Addition to George-town, on the following terms: the purchaser to pay ready money, if the sum shall not exceed five pounds current money, if more than five pounds, and under fifty pounds, to give bond to the trustee at sale, with security if required, for the purchase money, with interest within one year from the time of sale; if more than fifty pounds, the purchaser shall give bond as aforesaid, with security, for paying one half of the purchase money, with interest, within one year, and the residue, with interest, within two years from the time of sale. The sale will begin precisely at 12 o'clock.

W. ALLEIN.

Ten Pounds Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, on the 13th inst. a negro man named WILL, about 23 years of age, five feet nine or ten inches high; had on, when he went away, a round felt hat, dimbrig shirt and trousers, and a coarse cloth over jacket, short and round, he had other cloaths with him, which cannot well be described, he is likely, of a very dark complexion, full faced, and has a remarkable fine set of teeth, he is slow of speech, and rather awkward in his manners, is a tolerable good blacksmith, but has never worked as foreman of a shop, he was formerly the property of Henry May, late of this county, blacksmith, in Virginia, about eight days ago, but has since made his escape; when he was apprehended he had a forged pass in his possession, and is expected he may have procured another. Whoever [illegible] said negro and bring him to me, or secure him in any gaol so that I get him again, shall receive the above reward.

RICHARD BEARD.

N. B. It is probable this fellow may endeavour to pass for a free man, as there are many free blacks passing about the country; when he went to Alexandria his intention was to have made his escape by water, I therefore forewarn all masters of vessels and others, from harbouring or concealing him at their peril, if they should they may expect to be dealt with agreeably to law.

R. B.

Anne-Arundel county, June 20, 1792.

STRAYED or stolen from Mr. Thomas Sappington's plantation, near Rock Creek, [illegible] September, 1792, a BAY MARE, [illegible] hands three inches high, [illegible] perceivable mark from nature perceivable in her gait, has a hand docked, shod before, [illegible] switch tail, and has a very tight and brisk [illegible] bursting the lampers out of her mouth, has [illegible] perceivable mark. Whoever [illegible] the above [illegible] shall receive [illegible]

JOSHUA STEWART.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY
THOMAS SIM LEE, Esq.
GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND.
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS a proclamation has been issued by [illegible] of the United States, bearing [illegible] forth, that it is the duty and interest, and declaring it to be the disposition, of the United States to observe a friendly and impartial conduct towards the several European powers now at war; and further expressing and warning the citizens of the said United States to avoid all acts and proceedings tending to contravene such disposition: And, whereas the Secretary of state, in communicating a copy of the aforesaid proclamation, has intimated the expectation and reliance of the President of the United States, that injunctions so interesting to the happiness and prosperity of this country, will have the aid of the executive power towards their general and strict observance by the citizens of this state; I have therefore, with the advice and consent of the council, thought fit to issue this my proclamation, earnestly exhorting the good people of this state to observe the peaceable and impartial conduct recommended as aforesaid by the President of the United States, and I do further enjoin all the officers of this state to be zealous and active in discouraging all proceedings that may be inconsistent with the pacific disposition announced as aforesaid, and endanger the happy state of tranquillity which this country at present enjoys.

Given under the seal of the state of Maryland, this fourth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three.

THOMAS S. LEE.

By his excellency's command,
T. Johnson, jun. clk. council.
GOD SAVE THE STATE.

THE subscriber has for SALE, 315½ acres of well improved LAND, consisting of parts of two tracts called *Bowen's Range* and *Higgins's Lot*, in Prince-George's county, within twelve miles of the federal city, and two of Queen-Anne. The whole lies compact; it is well watered, and has plenty of ground fit for meadow, and nearly one half is woodland. This land is well adapted for farming and planting, and now rents for £.56 per annum. There is on the tract a great quantity of fruit trees of various kinds, which are young and thriving. There is a good and convenient dwelling house on the land, and two good tobacco houses. Mr. NATHAN SOPER, who lives near the place, will shew it to any person inclined to purchase. The title is indisputable, and a general warranty will be given by the person having a fee-simple in the land. One fourth of the purchase money will be required in hand, and the payments for the remainder made easy to the purchaser.

G. DUVALL.

Annapolis, 7th May, 1793. 3X

WAS committed to my custody as a runaway, MARY BARTON, an Irish woman, who says she belongs to PHILIP SCHOLL, of Garrison Forrest, Baltimore county;—she is a young woman. Had on when she was committed, a dark grounded calico gown with purple spots on it, a blue petticoat. Very black hair, and good countenance. The owner is desired to take her away, pay charges and other expences.

3X WILLIAM D. BEALL, sheriff
Prince-George's county.

Prince-George's county, Upper-Marlborough, 6th May, 1793.

THIS is to give notice, that I intend to apply to the next August court, in St. Mary's county, for a commission to mark and bound my part of a tract of land called HORTON PARK, agreeably to an act of assembly, passed in the year seventeen hundred and eighty-six, entitled, An act to mark and bound lands.

3 GEORGE BOOTH.

St. Mary's county.

CAME to the plantation of the subscriber, some time last fall, a black MARE COLT, about thirteen hands and an half high, neither docked nor branded. The owner is requested to come prove property, pay charges, and take her away.

GREENBURY TREAKLE.

Elk Ridge. 3X

TAKE NOTICE,

THAT the Commissioners of the TAX for ANNE-ARUNDEL county, will meet at the city of Annapolis, on the 20th of May next, and will sit for twenty days thereafter, to hear and determine the complaints and appeals of any persons who may think themselves grieved by their property being over-valued.

By order,
NICH. HARWOOD,
clk. com. tax.
2X

John Randall,

Has removed to the house lately occupied by Mr. Gibson, where he has just opened

A General Assortment of

Seasonable GOODS,

Which he will sell cheap for CASH, COUNTRY PRODUCE, or on CREDIT to his friends and customers. 4

The Subscriber, late Assistant Coast of Africa [illegible] from the Mediterranean, [illegible] Joseph Clarke, begs leave [illegible] his friends, that he has just [illegible] and for sale by the last arrivals from [illegible]

A GENERAL and ELEGANT
ASSORTMENT of

SPRING GOODS,

CONSISTING of

GERMAN Linens; 7 and 8 Irish Linens; Sheetings; Dowlas, Striped Holland; 4 Cotton Stripes, and Bed-Ticking; Manchestery, and Hosiery.

A beautiful choice of Printed Cottons; Muslins; Muslinets, and Dimities, &c. &c.

Also, I have in the GROCERY LINE, Old Jamaica Spirits, Inferior Rums, Brandies, Holland Gin; Port, Sherry, and Malaga Wines;—Hyson, Hyson-skin, Congou, and Bohea Teas; Coffee, Chocolate, Loaf and Muscovado Sugars; Molasses, Capers, Olives, Anchovies, Essence of real Gorgona Anchovies, Mustard, Jar and Keg Raisins, Soft Shell Almonds, Mace, Cloves, Cinnamon, Pepper, &c. All which articles, will be sold on the most advantageous terms the buyer can possibly expect.

3X WILLIAM WELLS.

To be Rented, or Leased,

In Lower-Marlborough,

A VALUABLE ACRE of LAND, with an elegant store house and room with a fire-place, kitchen, stable, garden and yard, convenient either for a store or a dwelling house. Any person inclinable, may have it on reasonable terms, by applying to captain Joseph David in said town, or to the subscriber, living near five miles from the town.

JAMES WILSON LAWRENCE.

Calvert county. 3X

Piscataway, April 25, 1793.

THE subscriber wants a BAR-KEEPER, at his tavern at this place, to whom sufficient wages will be given. None need apply unless they can be sufficiently recommended for their sobriety, honesty and industry.

3X EDWARD EDELEN.

THOSE persons who have claims against the estate of Mr. WILLIAM ATKINSON, late of West river, in Anne-Arundel county, are earnestly requested to exhibit their accounts, legally attested, to

3 F. GREEN, J. CLAPHAM, } Executors.

May 1, 1793.

BOARD,

By the day, week, &c.

May be had at the house of the subscriber, in Charles-street.

JAMES THOMAS.

Annapolis, April, 1793.

THE Commissioners of the federal buildings want to employ FOUR SETS of SAWYERS, immediately in the city of Washington; one set to be well acquainted with sawing mahogany. Application to be made to Mr. JAMES HOBAN, in the city. As the employment will be steady, it may therefore be an object.

George-town, December 5, 1792. 10

City of WASHINGTON, January 5, 1793.

A NUMBER of LOTS in this city, will be offered for SALE at auction, by the COMMISSIONERS, on the seventeenth day of September next. One fourth part of the purchase money is to be paid down, the residue in three equal annual payments, with yearly interest on the whole principal unpaid.

JOHN M. GANTT, Clerk
to the commissioners.

Extract of an act of the general assembly of Maryland, "concerning the territory of Columbia and the city of Washington."

"*Be it enacted*, That any foreigner may by deed or will, hereafter to be made, take and hold lands within that part of the said territory which lies within this state, in the same manner as if he was a citizen of this state; and the same lands may be conveyed by him, and transmitted to, and be inherited by his heirs or relations, as if he and they were citizens of this state: *Provided*, That no foreigner shall, in virtue hereof, be entitled to any other or further privilege of a citizen."

SAMUEL HUTTON,

COACH-MAKER,

BEGS leave to return his thanks to the public for their past favours, and hopes to continue the same; he still carries on the above business in all its various branches as usual; he will furnish any thing in his line of business on a short notice, as he has a quantity of remarkable well seasoned timber, and other materials, on hand for the said purpose.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY,

A JOURNEYMAN BLACKSMITH, who will receive great encouragement and constant employment.

6 ALSO,

TWO APPRENTICES to the coach-making business, from the age of 14 to 16 years.

Corn-Hill-street, Annapolis, April 3, 1793.

To be SOLD,

On MONDAY the [illegible] next, if not the first fair day [illegible] sale, at public sale, [illegible] sale, if no public notice will be given,

A VALUABLE TRACT of LAND, being part of Luckworth's Chance, containing 450 or 500 acres, lying in Calvert county, 70 miles from Baltimore-town, and two from the Chesapeake bay, on which is a large thriving apple-orchard and a number of other excellent fruit-trees, about 250 acres of excellent wood-land, and between 20 and 30 acres of prime meadow ground, two tobacco houses, one of which is in tolerable good repair, other buildings are but temporary. The terms of payment will be one third in hand, the other two thirds in one and two years, with interest from the day of sale. For further particulars, inquire of Mr. Gideon Dare, merchant, Calvert county, who will shew the property on application, or to the subscriber, at Mr. Gerard Hopkins's, cabinet-maker, Gay-street, Baltimore.

WILLIAM HARRIS.

Baltimore, April 25, 1793. 4

Rezin Davidge,

At the Sign of the Scales, Church-street,

Most respectfully informs the public in general, and his friends in particular, that he has just received and now opened a GENERAL

Assortment of Groceries,

Amongst which are the following ARTICLES, to wit:

PORT, Lisbon, and Sherry Wines; Jamica Spirits, French Brandy, West-India and New-England Rum, Porter, Geneva, Vinegar, Spirits of Turpentine, Anchovies, Capers, Raisins, Plums, Starch, Coppers, Rice, Barley, Almonds, Ginger, Nutmegs, Mace, Cinnamon, Cloves, Cheese, Dijon best flower of Mustard, Pepper, Chocolate, Coffee, Loaf, Lump and Brown Sugars; Fresh Hyson, Souchong, Green and Congo Teas; Soap, Candles, Molasses, Table Oil, Blue, Indigo, and various other articles too tedious to mention.

The subscriber has also for SALE, a quantity of DRY GOODS, suitable for the season; particularly a parcel of fine Nankeens; Ladies and Gentlemens Furred Hatts; Ladies Buff and Gutta-bottom Kid. All of which he is determined to sell on the undermentioned prices, for CASH. 4

Matthew and John Beard,

HAVE LATELY RECEIVED, and now OPENING

At Beard's Point Warehouse,

On SOUTH-RIVER,

The following GOODS,

—*viz.*—

SPIRIT, West-India and New-England Rum, Apple and Peach Brandy, Wine, Cordials, Molasses, Sugars, Coffee, Hyson, Hyson-skin and Bohea Teas, Sun-Raisins, Pepper, Cheese, Fine Salt, eight by ten Window-Glass.

—ALSO,—

A quantity of Callicoes, India ditto, Mull Muslines, coloured and plain Cotton Hose, Lin and Mo coloured Gloves, bordered Marseilles Quilting, black Sattinet Lasting, striped twilled Nankeen, plain ditto by the piece, Muslin Cravats, Pocket Handkerchiefs, Irish Linens, Osnabrigs, Tickenburgs, Penknives, Pocket ditto, and case Knives and Forks, &c. &c. &c. All which they will dispose of on the most reasonable terms for Cash, Tobacco, Wheat, Rye, Indian Corn, or any kind of barrel or kilndry Staves.

N. B. All persons in arrears to the subscribers, for dealings at their store in Annapolis, either on bond, note or open account, will be good enough to call and settle their respective balances without delay, as longer indulgence cannot be given.

M. and J. BEARD.

April 30, 1793. 5

ALL persons having claims against the estate of THOMAS PRYSE, late of the city of Annapolis, deceased, are requested to bring in their accounts legally proved and authenticated, and those indebted are desired to make immediate payment, to

3X MARGARET PRYSE, Adm'x.

THE

KNIGHT of MALTA,

An imported JACK,

Will cover at Mount Vernon the ensuing season, for twelve dollars, and half a dollar to the groom, to be paid as the season [illegible]

TRAVELLER,

A full blooded dark bay HORSE, fifteen hands and an half high, and well formed, will cover the same place, at six dollars, and half a dollar to the groom, to be paid as above.

The pastures are good and well enclosed, (but there will be no warrantee against escapes or accidents) at half a dollar a week.

3 ANTHONY WHITTING.

Mount Vernon, 20th March, 1793.

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